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FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUNDS TO STATES REACH RECORD HIGH

Distribution of more than \$17 million in federal aid funds to the 50 states, Guam, the Virgin Islands and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico for fish and wildlife restoration was announced today by Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall.

An apportionment of \$22,100,000 was made in June, bringing the fiscal year 1969 total to a record \$39,165,000. This total includes \$30,320,000 for wildlife and \$8,845,000 for fish projects. The previous high was \$35,650,000 in fiscal year 1968.

Apportioned funds, which come from excise taxes on fishing tackle and sporting arms and ammunition, will be used for acquisition of fish and wildlife areas, habitat development, hunting and fishing access sites, and research.

Under the aid program, the Department of the Interior pays up to 75 percent of the cost of state projects that have met the Department's requirements.

Apportionments by state are attached.

Apportionment for Federal Aid in Fish and Wildlife Restoration
Fiscal Year 1969

<u>State</u>	<u>Fish</u>	<u>Wildlife</u>
Alabama	\$ 160,849	\$ 591,816
Alaska	440,750	1,514,500
Arizona	179,701	686,511
Arkansas	174,063	510,276
California	440,750	1,476,843
Colorado	207,903	786,186
Connecticut	88,150	151,450
Delaware	88,150	151,450
Florida	195,456	489,760
Georgia	196,626	595,837
Hawaii	88,150	151,450
Idaho	149,025	579,373
Illinois	227,167	732,246
Indiana	173,746	596,979
Iowa	149,096	563,366
Kansas	148,553	599,508
Kentucky	132,838	447,224
Louisiana	121,940	522,691
Maine	88,150	353,189
Maryland	88,150	230,063
Massachusetts	88,150	152,741
Michigan	304,080	1,158,193
Minnesota	393,056	853,498
Mississippi	116,560	453,733
Missouri	239,817	745,349
Montana	202,316	863,789
Nebraska	127,907	571,160
Nevada	136,289	591,022
New Hampshire	88,150	151,450
New Jersey	88,150	199,939
New Mexico	156,271	686,046
New York	227,923	950,841
North Carolina	149,518	671,456
North Dakota	94,956	417,502
Ohio	239,177	750,319
Oklahoma	170,680	544,367
Oregon	224,355	804,470
Pennsylvania	168,009	1,175,477
Rhode Island	88,150	151,450
South Carolina	116,406	352,755
South Dakota	122,114	486,553
Tennessee	217,512	582,295
Texas	440,750	1,514,500
Utah	148,237	596,439
Vermont	88,150	176,947
Virginia	128,117	552,639
Washington	171,963	633,573
West Virginia	88,150	346,547
Wisconsin	317,338	820,425
Wyoming	133,536	603,807
Guam	10,000	10,000
Puerto Rico	10,000	10,000
Virgin Islands	10,000	10,000
Totals	\$8,845,000	\$30,320,000

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